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RISE IN CRIME CASES
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Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether various crimes are on the rise in the country;

(b) if so, the total number of such cases registered during each of the last three years and the current year, State-wise, including NCT of Delhi and crime-wise including murder, theft, chain snatching, dacoity etc.;

(c) the total number of accused arrested and the action taken against them during the said period, State-wise;

(d) the total number of such cases solved/unsolved and the steps taken to solve all the pending cases;

(e) whether the Government has conducted any survey in this regard;

(f) if so, the details thereof and the outcome of the survey; and

(g) the effective steps taken by the Government to check such cases in future?

Answer

MINISTER OF THE STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI AJAY MAKEN)

(a): A total of 1878293,1989673 and 2093379 cases were registered under different crime-heads of IPC during 2006-2008 respectively, thereby showing an increasing trend, in registration of cases.

(b): According to National Crime Records Bureau (NCRB) State / UT − wise details of cases registered under different crime − heads of IPC, including murder, theft and dacoity, during 2006-2008 are available in Table 1(a) under 'Additional Tables' link of its annual publication 'Crime in India' of each year. All the three editions of the publication are available under 'Publications' link of NCRB's website http://ncrb.gov.in. The latest edition of the report pertains to the year 2008.

(c): State / UT − wise details of persons arrested under different crime − heads of IPC during 2006-2008 are available in Table 1(b) under 'Additional Tables' link of NCRB's annual publication 'Crime in India' of each year.

(d): NCRB does not maintain information on cases unsolved. However, State / UT −wise details of cases charge-sheeted, cases in which final report submitted during the year and cases pending investigation at the end of the year under different crime − heads of IPC during 2006-2008 are available in Table 1 (a) under 'Additional Tables' link of NCRB's annual publication 'Crime in India' of each year.

(e) to (g): No such survey has been conducted. 'Police' and 'Public Order' are State subjects under the Seventh Schedule to the Constitution of India and therefore, the State Governments are primarily responsible for prevention, detection, registration and investigation of crime and for prosecuting the criminals through the machinery of their law enforcement agencies as also for protecting the life and property of the citizens. The Union Government, however, attaches highest importance to the matter of prevention of crime and therefore, has continued to urge to the State Governments/ UT Administrations to give more focused attention towards improving the administration of criminal justice system and taking such measures as are necessary for prevention and control of crime. Latest Advisory on Prevention, Registration, Investigation and Prosecution of Crime has been issued on 16th July, 2010.

The Central Government has also been supplementing the efforts of the State Governments through a variety of Schemes which, inter-alia, include assistance under the Scheme for Modernization of State Police Forces (MPF) for strengthening and improvement of infrastructure of Police Stations and other levels, mobility, modern weaponry and equipment, communication systems, strengthening of the intelligence machinery, training facilities, strengthening the forensic science related facilities, etc; assistance for computerization of police operations at the level of the Police Stations with networking facilities and creation of data bases at the local, State and national levels under a scheme "Crime and Criminal Tracking and Networking System" (CCTNS).